

THE TUDORS

Key Words to look at and understand before reading:

Alliance - a union, grouping. A pact of togetherness.

Cardinal - one of fundamental importance, chief, superior

Carousing - drinking a large amount!

Christendom - the whole body of Christians; the portion of the world that is governed under Christian institutes.

Diplomatic (talks) -

Night soil collector - the collector of human waste...

Nosegay - a nice bunch of flowers

Piecemeal - a fragment, a scrap

Retinue - the group of attendants who follow a King or other distinguished person.

Sweating sickness - terrible fever which was probably caused by the general dirt and sewage of the time, the symptoms were dramatic and sudden with death often occurring within hours.

Other words and phrases